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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Thomas F. Fangrow, Jr., *et al*
Appl. No. : 09/879,364
Filed : June 12, 2001
For : MEDICAL VALVE WITH
POSITIVE FLOW
CHARACTERISTICS
Examiner : Kevin C. Sirmons
Group Art Unit : 3763

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 16, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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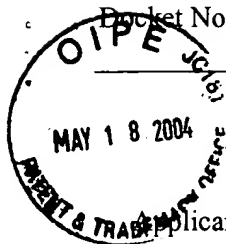
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application are the following enclosures:

- (X) an Amendment in 5 pages;
- (X) a check in the amount of \$438; and
- (X) a return prepaid postcard.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

FEE CALCULATION				
FEE TYPE		FEE CODE	CALCULATION	TOTAL
Total Claims	21 - 20 = 1	1202 (\$18)	1 x 18 =	\$18
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			TOTAL FEE DUE	\$438

An extension of time is hereby requested by payment of the appropriate fee indicated above.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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